(d) the number of handicapped unemployed who got employment through the Special Cells, Vocational Rehabilitation Centres and special employment exchanges during 1990-91.

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) Under the Scheme of Assistance to Disabled Persons for Purchase/Fitting of Aids and Appliances and through DRC Schemes about one lakh disabled persons were benefited and per-capita expenditure was Rs. 500.

(b) During the year 37,171 students were given scholarships through the States/Union Territory Governments studying under the institutions throughout the country.

(c) The number of NGOs assisted during the year is 215. The total assistance during the year for such organisations in Bihar is Rs. 15,79,132. The organisations assisted are as under :

(1) Girija Shankar Drishtiheen Balika Vidyalaya.

(2) Home for Mental Retardates & Psychological Sufferers.

(3) Blind Girls School.

(4) Prakritik Arogyashram.

(5) Bihar Rehabilitation & Welfare Institute.

(6) Santhal Paharia Sewa Mandal.

(7) Gaya Netraheen Vidyalaya.

(d) As per the information available, 7652 persons got placemtnts during the year.

Drug Abuse

3378. SHRI SHRAVAN KUMAR PATEL : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether on the International Day against Drug abuse and illicit trafficking, U.N. Secretary General commended the renewed commitment of international community to join forces to respond to the global threat of drug abuse; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto indicating the steps taken to effectively check drug abuse at the Central and States level and the financial assistance provided and the scheme formulated for the purpose ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government has taken following steps to deal with the problem of drug abuse :—

(i) The narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 and the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1988 are in force in the country and are being implemented by the concerned agencies.

(ii) Under the Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Organsations for Prohibition and Drug Abuse Prevention sponsored by the Ministry of Welfare 112 counselling centres, 44 de-addiction centres and 10 After-care Centres have been set up in States and Union Territories for providing counselling, de-addiction and after-care services to drug addicts. The grant sanctioned under this scheme during the

last two years are as follows :—

Year	Amount sanctioned (Rs. in Lakhs)
1989-90	460.00
1990-91	460.73

[*Translation*]

Awards to Teachers on Teachers Day

3379. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VERMA : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Delhi Administration confer State Awards on the Teachers Day on the Teachers, rendering distinguished services in the social and educational field, every year;

(b) if so, the number of teachers honoured on this day during the last three years and the number of teachers belonging to the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes out of them ;

(c) if no teacher belonging to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe has been honoured during the said period, the reasons therefor ; and

(d) the steps being taken to honour them on the ensuing Teachers Day?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Delhi Administration have conferred the State Awards to ninety teachers during the last 3 years out of which to belonged to the Scheduled Castes.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Organisations Against Social Evils

3380. SHRI SHIV SHARAN VERMA : Will tht Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of voluntary/Non-governmental organisations in the country which are fighting social evils;

(b) whether the Union Governments are giving any financial assistance to such organisations ; and

(c) if so, the amount allocated to them during the last three years ?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI) : (a) to (c) A large number of Voluntary/ Non-Governmental organisations in the country are fighting social evils. The number of organisations which received financial assistance from the Government during the last three years is detailed in the statement attached.